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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This is a response to the Restriction Requirement of October 7, 2008. The undersigned has a telephone conference with Examiner Cohen on October 5, 2008, regarding the outstanding restriction requirement. It was agreed that the restriction requirement would be modified so that the Group III claims would be included in Group I. With the restriction modified, Applicant elects to pursue the Group I claims; namely, claims 28-47 and claims 51-53.

Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for withdrawing the restriction to the Group III claims as this will dramatically reduce Applicant's costs of obtaining patent protection on the pending claims. The Applicant agrees with the Examiner's position that the multi electrode of claim 28 could be manufactured by a number of different processes, only one of which is specified in the Group II claims. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsiders the restriction of Group II claims, as well, since they have already been examined once in this case and the Group II claims are written in dependent form and depend from independent claim 28 and contain a number of the same limitations as claim 51 which is now part of the Group I claims. It is submitted that examining all the claims at one time would not represent a significant additional burden on the Examiner or the Patent Office. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully traverses the restriction to the extent that it relates to Group II claims 48-50.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this application is requested. If the Examiner has any questions or would like to discuss this matter further, he is invited to telephone the undersigned so that the matter can be promptly handled by Examiner's amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

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